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Allies Act To Protect Pullout

U.S. Planes Hit Laos SAM Base

By Craig R. Whitney SAIGON, March 26 (AP)—General hundred South Vietnam...



ALONG ROUTE 9—An American soldier looks over the wreckage of a self-propelled 175-mm howitzer that was hit by a North Vietnamese rocket-launcher grenade.

Their mission government of place okemen in Saigon and Quang...

A fresh regiment of South Vietnamese infantry was also moved today to what had been...

These actions came at the same time as reports that North Vietnamese forces, after having...

The United States command announced that 20 Air Force P-4...

The site was discovered a few days ago and reportedly was destroyed before it had fired any...

A New York Times report that American planes had struck a SAM base at North Vietnam...

The hilltop recaptured in Laos about two miles from the border...

They returned to South Vietnam last night and were replaced yesterday.

American military sources said they were contemplating a withdrawal within two weeks of the...

In the meantime, a bombing campaign against enemy forces at the supply routes that had...

The Saigon command spokesman said the 30,000 South Vietnamese troops who withdrew...

The last of the South Vietnamese troops in Laos withdrew last night.

Account of Leningrad Trial If Jews Reaches Washington

By Stephen S. Rosenfeld WASHINGTON, March 26 (AP)—A detailed and dramatic courtroom account of the secret...

When the sentences—including two condemnations to death—were announced Dec. 24, the courtroom account relates, some...

A week later, following a huge world outcry against the severity of the sentences, an appeals court in Moscow commuted the...

The 19-page single-spaced account of the Leningrad trial (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2)

Pentagon Issues Warning U.S. May Strike at Red Guns in DMZ

By William Beecher WASHINGTON, March 26 (AP)—The Defense Department issued a veiled warning today...

Mr. Friedheim recalled that on several occasions, Secretary of Defense Melvin R. Laird has declared that it is his responsibility to recommend whatever protective reaction steps prove most feasible to protect allied and U.S. forces.

Other sources said that several battalions of long-range artillery and rockets, involving dozens of weapons, have been dug into positions at several points in the northern half of the six-mile-wide DMZ...

Mr. Friedheim said the weapons were moved in shortly before the South Vietnamese invasion of Laos on Feb. 8, and raised a number of lines of speculation about the purpose of the move.

Denies Censorship Is Reason Solzhenitsyn Upset by Story On Refusal of Nobel Lecture

MOSCOW, March 26 (AP)—Alexander Solzhenitsyn has refused to deliver the traditional Nobel Prize lecture because the Nobel Foundation demanded that it avoid "broad judgments on present social life and its ills."

In a telegram dated March 21 to the foundation director, Nils Staahle, the Soviet author denied he had refused to deliver the lecture by mail because it would be censored by Soviet authorities.

The winner of the 1970 Nobel Prize for literature, Mr. Solzhenitsyn made public his feelings today after the Nobel Foundation allegedly stated that the writer was unwilling to deliver the lecture because of the censorship problem.

"I am extremely surprised by your explanation of the motivation for my refusal to deliver a Nobel lecture. I never expressed any such thing to you," he said in his telegram.

"I sincerely ask you to correct your mistake, and make it public." The telegram was signed, "With respect, Solzhenitsyn."

Mr. Staahle today denied that any Nobel officials have recently made an official statement about Mr. Solzhenitsyn.

He refused to make any comment on Mr. Solzhenitsyn's letter in which he declined to deliver the lecture, but added that the writer did not want to send the letter clandestinely.

Mr. Solzhenitsyn's friends said today that the writer's reaction to the BBC report was one of "extreme anger" and that he stopped writing for the entire day to listen to the radio and reflect on the matter.

He is living in a garage apartment belonging to colleague Mikhail Rostropovich on the outskirts of Moscow, where he is finishing a novel about World War I, "August, 1914."



Alexander Solzhenitsyn

Yahya Denounces Mujib as Traitor Sharp Fighting Reported In East Pakistan Revolt

NEW DELHI, March 26 (Reuters)—Thousands of villagers have joined Awami League volunteers fighting West Pakistani troops in the streets of four major cities of East Pakistan...

Quoting "highly reliable reports" reaching Indian border areas, the agency said that the East Pakistanis were using all available weapons, including spears and canes, against the troops.

Heavy fighting was going on in Chittagong, Dacca, Camilla and Rangpur, the sources said. As the army moved to crush the secessionist movement led by Sheikh Mujibur Rahman...

One report said that 1,000 West Pakistani commandos had been flown into East Pakistan by way of China during the last two days.

Fighting was said to be heavy in Rangpur, where West Pakistani troops are reported to have killed at least 20 persons two days ago.

The Bangladesh forces were from the East Pakistani Regiment, East Pakistani Rifles and police, the radio said.



Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, at a March 20 press meeting.

of East Pakistan, called on the people to fight until all enemy troops were vanquished. The "Voice of Independent Bangla Desh" said that West Pakistani troops had been surrounded by Bangla Desh forces in Chittagong, Camilla, Sylhet, Jessore, Barisal and Khulna.

Indian news agency reports said that at least 10,000 troops from West Pakistan had now been landed in the East, bringing their strength in the territory to about 70,000 men.

All-India Radio tonight reported heavy fighting in Dacca despite the curfew.

The Press Trust also reported tonight that forces loyal to Sheikh Mujib had captured the Chittagong station of Radio Pakistan.

The news agency, quoting a "highly reliable report" reaching Calcutta, said that Pakistani troops were forced to retreat from the station in the East Pakistan port after fierce fighting.

An official spokesman said that Indian security forces along the 1,340-mile border with East Pakistan had been placed on alert.

The Indian cabinet will meet to discuss the crisis tomorrow.

Censorship in Force There was no direct word from East Pakistan, where censorship was in force and several towns, including Dacca, the provincial capital, were under curfew.

[The Associated Press reported from Karachi that there have been rumors circulating in Dacca to the effect that Sheikh Mujib and five close associates were arrested late last night or early this morning. But there has been no official confirmation or denial of the reports.]

The martial-law administrator in East Pakistan, Lt. Gen. Tikka Khan, admitted in a broadcast over Dacca radio that the "law-and-order situation was out of control."

But he gave no details of the (Continued on Page 2, Col. 7)

In Mood of Guarded Optimism Big 4 Open 2d Year of Berlin Talks

By Anatole Shub BERLIN, March 26 (AP)—Ambassadors of the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain and France entered their second year of negotiations on Berlin today with a two-and-a-half-hour conference, the 17th in the series.

No details were given, but an atmosphere of guarded optimism continued to prevail about an eventual accord.

U.S. Ambassador Kenneth Rush said that "we continued our serious negotiations and attempts to move forward." The Soviet envoy, Pyotr Abramov, described the session as "important and constructive."

The four ambassadors scheduled their next meeting for April 16. Negotiations on the expert level will continue in the meantime.

Mr. Abramov, who returned Wednesday from high-level consultations in Moscow, was widely believed to have submitted a series of new formulations in response to the Western draft accord, on the basis of which the Big Four have been negotiating for the last two months.

Soviet sources did indicate that the prospects for a Berlin settlement, as well as for a conference on European security, would be "appraised positively" at the 24th Soviet Communist party congress, which opens in Moscow next Tuesday.

The Western powers have made a Berlin agreement the precondition for launching diplomatic preparations for a security conference to be held in East European sources also appeared optimistic about the chances of an agreement to permit West Berliners, for the first time since 1965, to cross the wall and visit East Berlin, West Berlin representative Ulrich Müller and East German Deputy Foreign Minister Günter Kohrt are scheduled to resume discussion of an Easter pass agreement tomorrow afternoon.

Since yesterday morning, East German border guards have put up some 20 new customs sheds along the Communist side of the wall.

A third set of negotiations, between high officials of the West and East German governments, will resume next Wednesday. However, in the three-tiered structure of negotiations on Berlin, a preliminary accord among the Big Four has priority. Diplomatic observers have been speculating that such an accord might be reached this spring.

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Tito Snubs Kremlin Bid To Congress

BELGRADE, March 26 (UPI)—President Tito has turned down a personal invitation from the Kremlin and instead will send a high-ranking delegation to attend the 24th Soviet Communist party congress beginning next Tuesday in Moscow.

Yugoslav party sources said today.

The independent-minded Yugoslav head of state, who is also president of the ruling Communist party, has not attended any Soviet party congress in the postwar period.

President Tito is now on a five-day state visit to Italy.

U.S. Asks Court to Set Aside Contempt Terms of Chicago 7

WASHINGTON, March 26 (UPI)—The Justice Department moved yesterday to set aside the lengthy contempt sentences given the Chicago seven defendants by Judge Julius J. Hoffman after their stormy trial.

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The prosecutor quoted from a letter from Assistant Attorney General Robert Mardian, which said the trial judge "lost the power to cite and punish those contempts under which he was the victim of personal attacks, since bias (on the part of the judge) might be presumed from the nature of the attacks."

By concluding that Judge Hoffman, through no fault of his own, was presumed to be biased, the government motion could avoid a decision on the much-debated question of whether the judge should share the blame for the disorder at the long trial.

A spokesman in Washington said the move was designed to speed up the process of obtaining a valid re-sentencing rather than let the defense take its time, in view of the "air-tight" case for reversal.

France Foresees No New EEC Veto, Britain Assured

PARIS, March 26 (Reuters)—Foreign Minister Maurice Schumann told British Ambassador Christopher Soames today that France was not trying to block British entry into the Common Market and he called for secret negotiating sessions to solve outstanding problems.

Mr. Schumann's assurance followed by less than 24 hours his statement yesterday that France was not trying to veto British entry by bringing up the question of sterling's future role in the entry talks.

In today's meeting at the Foreign Ministry, Mr. Schumann stressed that the question of sterling had been raised several times by the Common Market community as a whole.

He presented France's bid to discuss the matter as a natural follow-up to this. Mr. Schumann said that the EEC Commission had seven or eight times indicated to Britain the problems raised by sterling balances and the potential existence within the community of an international reserve currency, in view of EEC plans to create a common currency.

While Hailing San Francisco Paris Prefect Calls N.Y.C. the Depths

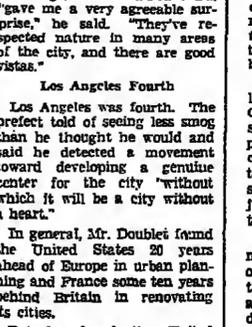
PARIS, March 26 (AP)—The prefect of the Paris region, governor of its 8.5 million residents, today rated San Francisco at the top of a list of American cities for livability and urban planning, while placing New York, with its "insufferable" subway, at the bottom.

Maurice Doublet, setting up a ranking of U.S. cities in response to a newspaper's question at a luncheon, said: "If they brought New York's subway to Paris, I assure you there would be a revolution."

Mr. Doublet made the classification on the basis of a recent trip to England and across the United States.

He put San Francisco at the head of the list because: "It reminds one most of Paris. But there's more. There's a very agreeable mixture of new big buildings and the old, like the cable cars."

Mr. Doublet, who is in charge of the day-to-day operation of Paris—the city has no mayor—gave London second place on his list. "They've handled the mass transportation problem very well," he said, "and are not overwhelmed with parking difficulties."



Maurice Doublet

Biggest Battle in Six Weeks

Jordanian Troops, Guerrillas Clash in Irbid

AMMAN, March 26 (UPI)—King Hussein's troops clashed with Palestinian guerrillas in Irbid, north of Amman today, in the biggest internal battle in Jordan for six weeks.

On the police post at the Princess Basma Hospital, named after King Hussein's younger sister. In Beirut, a Palestine Liberation Organization spokesman said government forces attacked an Irbid refugee camp and destroyed guerrilla offices.

The incident was the biggest since the middle of last month, when guerrillas and security forces fought for several days in central Amman during a security drive against arms caches.

Heikal Sees Russia Issuing Ultimatum to End Deadlock

CAIRO, March 26 (AP)—The usually well-informed editor of the newspaper Al-Ahram hinted today that the Soviet Union may issue an ultimatum to break the deadlock in current Middle East efforts.

"decisive measures" to end the conflict. It also threatened to send Soviet "volunteers" to the area. Mr. Heikal said the policy of the late President Nasser—pursued by his successors—places priority on "settling the stage and preparing suitable circumstances for a decisive Soviet role reminiscent of 1956."

At 9 a.m., when the weapons had been seized, the guerrillas attacked police stations in Irbid, the spokesman said. The attack on the police stations involved both guerrillas and their part-time militia, the spokesman said.

Account of Leningrad Trial Of Jews Reaches Washington

(Continued from Page 1) celled by The Washington Post was to judge by the emphasis it gives to the defendants' own statement of their case—

many Soviet Jews, since the 1957 Arab-Israeli war, to assert their "national" or cultural-religious rights and, in many individual cases, to emigrate to Israel.

Return Almost All Arab Lands, Ben-Gurion Says NEW YORK, March 26 (UPI)—David Ben-Gurion, 84, Israel's first premier, said in an interview in the magazine Saturday Review that Israel should give back all captured territory except Old Jerusalem and Syria's Golan Heights.

Dobrynin: Israel Must Start Talks

WASHINGTON, March 26—Soviet Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin conferred with Secretary of State William P. Rogers today and declared that it was up to Israel to break the Middle East negotiations deadlock.

Witnesses Face Charges The account says 23 witnesses were called in the trial. Many, if not all, were persons close to the 11 defendants. They, and others were to face related charges themselves. In fact, a trial of a second group of Jews opened in Leningrad Jan. 6 but, in an unusual development, was adjourned within minutes.

Nuns, Monks Gain Right to Choose Own Confessors

VATICAN CITY, March 26 (UPI)—The Vatican said today that it has relaxed laws governing religious communities so that nuns may make their confessions to any priest they choose.

Bavarian Workers To Fix Own Hours

MUNICH, March 26 (Reuters).—Bavaria's civil servants can now turn up to work and go home when they like. New rules, published by the Bavarian state authorities, say that, within certain limits, it is left to every employee to stagger his working hours provided he puts in 42 a week.

Lanusse Installed In Buenos Aires

BUENOS AIRES, March 26 (Reuters).—Gen. Alejandro Lanusse, the army's commander in chief, was sworn in tonight as the third president Argentina has had in less than one year.

Calley Jury, In 10th Day, Sets Map Study

FT. BENNING, Ga., March 26 (UPI)—The jury in the court-martial of Lt. William L. Calley Jr. is in its 10th day of deliberations today as it seeks a verdict on whether he was negligent when he shot and killed a Viet Cong prisoner.

Meyer Lansky, Alleged Mafia Figure, Indicted

WASHINGTON, March 26 (UPI)—Meyer Lansky, the reputed financial brain behind the Mafia, was indicted yesterday on charges of illegal gambling activities in connection with the Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas.

Thieu Indicates He'll Run Again

LONG XUYEN, South Vietnam, March 26 (AP)—President Nguyen Van Thieu made clear today his intention to seek re-election this year by announcing a five-year rural economic development program for South Vietnam.

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ADDED SERVICE—To allow bed-ridden patients to make necessary phone calls, portable pay telephones have been installed in a new Copenhagen hospital.

Tito, Italy to Try Diplomacy To End the Mideast Impasse

ROME, March 26 (NYT)—President Tito of Yugoslavia and Italian leaders agreed today to step up diplomatic action to end the impasse in the search for peace in the Middle East.

Patrols Guard Laos Pullout

(Continued from Page 1) by Wednesday evening, according to the command spokesman here, but on that day five U.S. helicopters were reported shot down by enemy ground fire inside South Vietnam.

U.S. Shift on China Annoys Russia

By Bernard Gwertzman MOSCOW, March 26 (NYT)—The Soviet Union today expressed its evident concern over President Nixon's latest efforts to improve U.S. relations with Communist China.

E. Pakistanis Battle Troops

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U.S. Rail Line Asks to Retire The Cannonball

ROANOKE, Va., March 26 (UPI)—Another legend is passing from the American scene. The famed Cannonball is headed for the end of the line.

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Wakeup of SST Defeat Jackson Warns Democrats Not to Alienate Workers

WASHINGTON, March 26 (AP)—Sen. Henry M. Jackson, D-Wash., said today that Democrats must be careful not to alienate workers and labor supporters of the Democratic party who are becoming unhappy.

Japan Firm Denies Bid To Buy SST

TOKYO, March 26 (AP)—A major Japanese trading firm, Itochu & Co., is "interested" in the superersonic transport program made two days ago, but not in the idea of buying the billion-dollar SST, a company official said.

In recent years, we've had a tendency to listen to those people with the loudest voices. Yet it has been the quiet worker who has been the backbone of this party.

Some 7,000 workers will be laid off shortly at the Boeing Co. plant in Seattle, where the plane was being built, the company said.

Work went ahead on the SST mock-up briefly in Boeing's plant while the official denial that the SST here, you understand, is not an official bid, just to participate in some way in the project.

WASHINGTON, March 26 (AP)—An order by the Supreme Court in an Arkansas case has given civil rights groups encouragement over prospects for a favorable ruling in the major school desegregation cases that have been pending since last year.

WASHINGTON, March 26 (AP)—The three major West German car manufacturers today denied reports of interest in a rights to the Boeing super-sonic transport.

WASHINGTON, March 26 (AP)—Sen. Edward Brooke, R-Mass., described the South Vietnamese invasion of Laos yesterday as a "humiliating defeat" for America, coming "out of Laos on the skirts."

TOKYO, March 26 (AP)—A sh-ranking North Vietnamese communist party delegation headed by first secretary Le Duan arrived in Peking yesterday, a dispatch announced.



FLAME SNUFFER—A plane of the North Carolina Forest Service drops a load of fire fighting chemical on a section of burning timber just north of Stumpy Point, N.C. The huge fire burned more than 20,000 acres of young pines in the area after an Air Force marking device used in practice bombing runs ignited the grass on a nearby gunnery range. The grass fire spread and engulfed the forest.

In Congressional Black Caucus Meeting Nixon Asked to Fund 1.1 Million Jobs

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FBI Got Copy Of Boy Scout Letter to Reds

Note to Embassy
On Russian Camping

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40-Year-Old Tradition Annual Auto-Model Changes On Way Out in U.S. Industry

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Congress and Middle East

The interests of the United States, of Israel and of world peace will be well served if Secretary of State Rogers' extraordinary meeting with the Senate Thursday prompts critics of State Department policy on the Middle East to re-examine their own premises.

Senator Javits, for example, has charged that Secretary of State Rogers is indulging in irrelevant 19th-century diplomacy in thinking that Israel's security could be guaranteed by the great powers rather than by defensible geographical boundaries. It is Mr. Javits, however, who ignores modern realities in suggesting that geography can be equated with security in the nuclear-missile age. Peace—not territory—is the primary requirement, as David Ben-Gurion, Israel's first premier, has observed.

No amount of territorial acquisition could secure Israel's vulnerable cities and industries against the long-range missiles which may sooner or later fly in the Middle East if a lasting settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict is not achieved. Even the limited but substantive territorial changes that Israeli leaders have so far demanded could not become the "secure and recognized" borders that Israel justly seeks.

An Israeli enclave at Sharm-el-Sheikh would never be recognized by Egyptian na-

tionalists for long, even if the present Egyptian government could somehow be compelled to retreat from its demand for the recovery of all lost territories. Such an enclave, far removed from Israel proper, would be highly vulnerable to attack from Sinai or from across the Gulf of Suez, even if the Israelis could retain a substantial corridor on this Gulf of Aden.

A letter hope for peace in Sinai and security for shipping in the strait lies, as Secretary Rogers has argued, in the establishment of a United Nations presence at Sharm el-Sheikh—and in Sinai—that could not be removed at whim and that included at least a token big-power presence to discourage any temptation to try to displace it by force.

The best way to reduce Soviet influence and to promote American interests in the area, to safeguard Israel's survival and to avert a big-power confrontation that would be disastrous for everyone is to press for peace in accordance with the Security Council resolution of Nov. 22, 1957, backed by strong international guarantees. This is what Secretary Rogers has been trying to do.

The apparent suspension of Ambassador Jarring's peace efforts at the United Nations and reported military preparations in Egypt add urgency to the secretary of state's plea for congressional support.

THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Perverting the Geneva Protocol

Sen. Frank Church has chosen the lesser of two evils in proposing that the Senate Foreign Relations Committee send back to the White House for "clarification" the Geneva protocol banning chemical and biological weapons.

To delay further in ratifying the protocol, which the United States sponsored at Geneva in 1925-45 years ago—and which other major powers have ratified, would be to perpetuate a national disgrace.

But it would be even more disgraceful for the Senate to pervert the protocol by ratifying the document as the administration has presented it—with the "understanding" that it does not forbid the use of tear gas and herbicides. This interpretation is completely at odds with the views of the majority of

nations as expressed in a resolution adopted by an 80-to-3 vote of the United Nations General Assembly in 1968.

The Federation of American Scientists has succinctly observed that the administration's reservations on the Geneva protocol are "highly questionable legally, absurd politically, repugnant morally, and foolish strategically." In attempting to justify the continuing use of tear gas and herbicides in Vietnam, where these loathsome weapons appear to have had only marginal military utility at best, the White House has invited the censure of the world. It has risked undermining the barrier against more lethal chemicals which American statesmen wisely sought to erect at Geneva after World War I had exposed the full horror of gas warfare.

THE NEW YORK TIMES.

International Opinion

The Furious Farmers

Europe's farmers are mainly elderly, mainly inefficient, and their children are mainly inclined to let the land go and seek other work when their parents die. Natural wastage is probably as good a method of reducing the problem as anything Dr. Mansholt will devise, and it is cheap. It is still true, nevertheless, that the common agricultural policy produces results which are inefficient and objectionable. When the farmers have got their way—as they will—and when the negotiations for enlarging the Community are over the Six or the Ten will have to stop tinkering with a bad policy and start constructing a good one.

—From The Guardian (London).

Death of the SST

The decision of the U.S. Congress has a much deeper meaning than the rejection of a major industrial project. It means that the Americans: (1) Rebel against untrammelled scientific progress and the dangers involved for the world by the destruction of natural balance; (2) Desire to have the order of national priorities modified, even if U.S. prestige is to suffer from this. For President Nixon this is a serious personal defeat. And Concorde? The anti-SST congressmen are very likely to introduce bills banning the Franco-British aircraft from American airports. Concorde is thus likely to be the next victim from the American Congress's revolt against certain technological developments.

—From France-Soir (Paris).

In abandoning a great project for reasons in which technical arguments are far from being predominant, the United States has not—regardless of what is being said by those who are ready to use any argument—condemned the Concorde. To the contrary, they have given the Franco-British undertaking a new dimension. The Concorde is indispensable.

—From La Nation (Paris).

A continuation of this project could have involved not just the United States, but the whole world, in an ecological price we are not in a position to pay, either now or in the future. But Planet Earth is not out of the woods yet. According to an American television report, Japan's aviation industry is interested in picking up the SST pieces

for 10 cents on the dollar. This would seem to be good business acumen on the part of the Japanese; but it is doubtful that the U.S. taxpayer, having forfeited both his huge cash investment and most probably America's leading place in world aviation, would acquiesce quietly to such a sale.

—From the Bangkok Post.

Logically, the "death" of the SST should lead to a bright future for the Concorde, which should be assured of a sufficient longevity to be amortized. Yet [French aerospace director] Henri Ziegler on Wednesday welcomed the verdict of the American Senate with regret, and Jean-Jacques Servan-Schreiber declared in clear terms that the Concorde is condemned.

—From Combat (Paris).

The French Elections

The fact that, in a majority of the 193 French cities with a population of over 30,000, the elections boiled down to duels between two parties—the government majority and the leftist opposition—is a proof of the evident progress in the process of polarization of the political forces in France. Now the main problem facing the French opposition will be whether it succeeds in maintaining the present unity and, particularly, whether the present local elections will stimulate talks between the Communists and the Socialists.

The problem is all the more important for the left wing, as Gaullists are also endeavoring to take advantage of the local elections to expand their influence beyond Gaullist strongholds.

—From Sionno Powszechno (Warsaw).

Labor in Britain

How can a country which finds itself in such a precarious situation have production constantly crippled by strikes? There they switch off the power without any consideration, the country is plunged into darkness as though it were in the midst of war. There, for weeks on end, no mail is delivered. On the backs of the economy and the people a test of power is staged which has brought advantage to no one, but no one. The union bosses are the real masters of the country. The unionized country has been long established everywhere. But in England it is being driven to death.

—From the Frankfurter Allgemeine.

In the International Edition

Seventy-Five Years Ago

March 27, 1896

PARIS—It is now certain that an afternoon service will be instituted between Paris and London by way of Boulogne early in June. A train will leave Paris and also London at about 3.30 or 4 p.m. daily, arriving at either destination at about 11.30 p.m. It will carry first, second and third-class passengers and also a certain amount of light "quick-traffic" parcels.

Fifty Years Ago

March 27, 1921

DUBLIN—The death toll this week, resulting from organized violence in Ireland, has been the heaviest since the Easter rebellion of 1916. About 80 persons, including servants of the Crown, armed Republicans and innocent persons, have lost their lives within six days. Events of the past week have led up to growing demands for a truce.



'How Could Any Country So Rich Be Having a Recession?'

The Bean and the Pill

By C. L. Sulzberger

BOGOTA, Colombia.—This nation's greatest short-range problem would be solved if every American housewife brewed twice as many cups of coffee and its greatest long-range problem would be solved if every Colombian housewife took the Pill. However, since neither event is likely to occur, a time of trouble looms.

The coffee bean and the birth control pill are at the root of almost each basic issue. Consciously they affect the tiny elite at the apex of the social structure and unconsciously they mold the lives of those either too young or too poor to benefit from formal schooling.

No matter what his political credo, every Colombian agrees that coffee could be the panacea of most national ills if only the United States—and above all the U.S. Congress—would wake up and buy this producing country's crop.

U.S. legislators are held responsible for doing out short-term import commitments and holding down prices. U.S. policy is seen as artificially encouraging African nations to cultivate coffee and ruin what's left of the market. Colombian politicians argue that the only product whose U.S. price falls to rise is coffee. Thank heavens the Russians and Chinese are tea-drinkers!

Mrs. FDR's Role

Former President Alberto Lleras Camargo says that Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt started his trend during World War II by telling American women to brew twice as many cups from each pound of coffee during the 1950s. Sen. Gillette forced down the price of Colombian coffee by 50 percent. One is told the wrecking job was completed by the invention of instant soluble coffee which insured against the slightest bit of waste—or taste.

This caffeine-stained bias argues that Washington has abandoned former free-trade concepts to Colombia's detriment. "Washington" here means more the U.S. Congress than the administration. Sen. Lleras' "Pill" and "coffee" policy will not Congress doesn't apply it. Less generous critics insist: "We expected Nixon to stick by his pledges of more trade aid. All we get is less trade and less aid."

Even President Pastora Borrero insists: "Your public opinion must be made to understand the effects on our economy of even a slight change in coffee prices." But how the American housewife can be induced to change her habits in order to support the booming Colombian birth-rate is not explained.

It is surely hard to persuade U.S. women to double their coffee intake and boost the price when Colombian women remain unpersuaded by the logic of birth control. Pastora says the annual population growth rate is 3.1 percent. Lleras says it is 3.6 percent. Either is staggeringly high.

Lleras concedes: "It is a frightening problem and religion is a complicating factor. Priests can help out on birth control only unofficially because the church hierarchy opposes them and the government doesn't dare interfere. In ten years' time we will have one million people hitting the labor force annually and these people simply cannot be absorbed."

This relatively small percent-

age of intellectuals adduces flip rebuttals: that young priests favor radical reform and are gaining influence; that the church itself is losing power; that both in society's top and bottom levels marriage is gradually losing favor. Nevertheless, the spate of habits continues to be born.

The combination of sagging economic prospects, a population flood that exceeds any visible capacities to meet with minimal social, health and housing measures, plus an inadequate educational system, points only to danger. And this country has gone through frightful bloody periods in the past.

Right now it is governed by a sort of coalition between the two official parties but their arrangement ends in 1974. Be-

fore the truce began in 1967 Colombia had experienced a brief military dictatorship. Before that was a period known as "the violence" during which tens of thousands were slaughtered.

A veneer of tranquility exists today despite festering hinterland patches where pro-Soviet, pro-Castro and pro-Mao guerrillas claim footholds. The entire country is under a state of siege, with armed police and troops guarding sensitive points since university student riots at Cali early this month.

Nevertheless, there are but minor symptoms, surface hints of a far deeper crisis yet to come—unless the women of both countries suddenly decide to change their way of life. Improbable, to say the least.

Divided Command in Saigon

By James Reston

WASHINGTON.—Nothing is harder to conduct than coalition warfare with divided command and control. This cost the Allies hundreds of thousands of lives in the two World Wars, when the separate nations could not agree on who had the decisive voice on the battlefield, and it is clear from the recent operations in Laos that the United States and South Vietnam are now running into that dangerous problem in the final phase of the war.

It is clear from the private testimony of top U.S. military and civilian officials that South Vietnam invaded Laos with about half the troops available to the enemy. Gen. Abrams, the U.S. commander, wanted them to commit a much stronger force, and remain longer in the battle, but President Thieu of South Vietnam chose a different course.

This is probably only a foretaste of unavoidable problems ahead. The more responsibility Saigon takes for the conduct of the war, the more it will want to determine the strategy. As President Nixon has made clear, he will, of course, insist on retaining control over where and when and in what numbers U.S. planes and airmen are used. But by the same token, President Thieu will insist as he did in Laos, on deciding how many men to use and when to advance or withdraw.

Approach to Candor
For a while, the White House and the U.S. military officials in Saigon were giving the impression that the withdrawal from Laos, a vital month before the coming of the monsoon rains, had all gone "according to plan," but lately the Pentagon has been taking a more candid and believable line, at least in private.

Secretary of Defense Laird, for example, told reporters on Capitol Hill that the invasion of Laos was cut short because of "the tremendously vicious and violent reaction on the part of the North Vietnamese, and also the fact that the South Vietnamese feel that they have carried out a primary objective of the operation—that is, to disrupt the logistics supply routes."

This is a much more reasonable explanation of the adventure than the optimistic official reports out of Washington and Saigon just a week or so ago, but it doesn't tell as much as

New Harvard President Derek Bok's Education

By Anthony Lewis

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.—Some undergraduates invited Harvard's president-elect to tea the other day, and he went. This may not sound like news. At this university, after 30 years of presidents, remoteness from students, it is.

Derek Bok, preparing to take over from Nathan Pusey in July, has quietly begun to make a new presence felt at Harvard. He decided not to move into the president's official residence, in the college yard, because he and his wife thought it would be a better place to bring up their children. Instead they will live a short distance away in a neighborhood on the other side of Harvard Square.

In a hiatus at the Law School of which he was dean, Bok is trying to think about the problems of the great private university before they overwhelm him. And he is accepting student invitations to eat with students or to be at a Harvard house, dinner at Radcliffe, just talk.

"They've heard I'm accessible," he says, "and they're testing me out."

Concern Remains
What he is learning in those conversations may give an insight into student attitudes of interest to others than college presidents. For while the excesses of emotion and irrationality have dropped off here, as elsewhere at American universities, the concern remains—concern about education and about this country.

"I don't know about other places," Bok says, "but Vietnam is still the dominant public issue here. I do not think the concern has gone away to any extent. There is just bewilderment about what to do, and frustration.

"The students feel no response from the government in terms of human life. They hear about military considerations and withdrawal rates, not about the number of people being killed in touchdowns. They get news from Washington on insensitivity to the human cost of what we are doing."

One question students bring up is to what extent a university president can and should take positions on public matters. Bok says they want to be asked to provide a way for students to go on expressing their feelings in such a way.

Letters
of the American Academy in Boston, her position, she wrote, could not permit her to act as critic on her own behalf. She felt that the Hon. Mrs. Schlesinger's recognition of her achievements as an artist, which are not less creative than her literary expressions. There is a joyous mood of spring and airiness in her work, which moves it from the intellectual movements of many contemporary works into the sphere of the poetic and often idyllic, reminiscent of Dufay. It is a pleasure to report that the show has been a distinct success.

Our Modest Reviewers
In one of your recent editions (March 6) your art reviewer (Richard M. Keith Schickel, reported with great modesty that an exhibition of her work that included watercolors and drawings, would take place in the Gallery

Medicaid Abroad
Medicare claims billed abroad are not honored at all. This is wrong. We must pay income tax to the U.S. wherever we live on our taxable interests, dividends and pensions from private sources after the usual exemptions and deductions. Then we are double-taxed for the privilege of being a resident, but in case of sickness our contributions to Medicare do not help in providing some relief for the cost. If one stops the voluntary premiums on the Part-D program to Medicare insurance, then any re-enrollment is possible within three years only. Assuming one keeps up the Medicare insurance and returns for treatment to the U.S.A., the Medicare protection is granted from the first day on arrival, but only then if one establishes a new residence. This is O.K. for those visitors returning to their still existing home, but how does the old retired pensioner find it? Those terms are an adjustment clause for the Medicare program for us citizens abroad.

Memory Lane
Remember when U.S. Presidents had one-on-one talks to give to their "Gentlemen's Agreement"?

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EEC Leader Rebutts U.S. on Farm Prices

Says It Can Be Glad Raises Weren't Higher

By Richard Norton-Taylor

BRUSSELS, March 26 (UPI)—Simon Mansholt, the top Common Market executive commissioner responsible for agriculture, today hit out at American criticism of the market's protective farm policy.

He was speaking at a press conference following yesterday's decision to grant price increases, together with farm modernization incentives, to farmers throughout the six-nation organization.

The United States, worried about its own farm exports, is viewing the price increases with some concern. Under Common Market rules, domestic prices are directly reflected in import levies.

Asked how he thought third countries, especially the United States, would react to these latest price hikes—ranging from 1 to 6 percent—Mr. Mansholt insisted that they should take into account the social problems of European farming community.

These countries can be happy that they were not much greater, he said, of the price increases.

Mr. Mansholt pointed out that it was the European Commission which had proposed multinational discussions on farm price policies during the Kennedy Round of trade negotiations. "We cannot accept these proposals," he said, "because the United States wanted to have a free hand in price policy, the Common Market also was free, he said.

The United States has consistently criticized the market's high-priced, protectionist farm policy and recently complained to the EEC executive commission about the new proposals for price increases.

However, Mr. Mansholt said that if current negotiations succeeded and the Common Market was enlarged in 1972 to include Britain, Denmark and all relatively efficient farm producers a freeze on agricultural prices was very likely.

Most farm prices in these three countries are much lower than those in the Common Market.

Mr. Mansholt stressed that in the future, special income subsidies should be introduced to help the smaller farmers in the poorer regions of the Common Market. Up to now, under the market's common farm policy, price levels alone have determined the income of the agricultural population.



NO DAMAGE—Smoke roaring into the air Tuesday as the 5,550-foot volcano Mount Bagan erupted on Bougainville, one of the Solomon Islands. There are no villages in the area and no danger reported.

Ex-General Gets 3 Years In Czech Court

Prchlik Found Guilty Of Assailing Red Pact

FRAGUE, March 26 (Reuters).

Former Gen. Vaclav Prchlik, political commissar for the armed forces during the period of liberalism, was sentenced to three years imprisonment today for criticizing the Warsaw Pact nearly three years ago.

The Ceteka news agency reported that Mr. Prchlik, who has since been reduced to the rank of private in the reserves, was convicted by the higher military court in Prague, near Frague, of "frustrating and jeopardizing the activity of state agencies."

Mr. Prchlik was the first leading figure of the reform era to stand trial here for the events of 1968. The charges against him stated that at a press conference on July 15, 1968, he criticized the Warsaw Pact's Soviet-dominated command structure, even though he knew that this criticism would complicate an already tense situation.

Top party and state officials have insisted that the government would not resort to trials of political opponents, but have said that the nation's laws will be enforced.

They have used this argument to justify the trial of a leading television commentator, who was convicted last month of slander, and the trial of 17 young radicals, who were convicted a week ago of subversion.

Mr. Prchlik has been working as a floor-layer in Prague since his demotion.



British Ambassador Geoffrey Jackson in a photo released by his Tupamaro guerrilla captors in Montevideo.

Kidnapped Envoy Writes His Wife That He Is Well

MONTEVIDEO, March 26 (UPI)—"My morale is very high. I eat well and drink a lot of tea."

Kidnapped British Ambassador Geoffrey Jackson said last night in a letter released for his wife by leftist Tupamaro terrorists.

The brief letter was written in Spanish and asked that his wife and family "have faith and confidence" in his eventual safety.

Mr. Jackson, 56, was kidnapped by the Tupamaros Jan. 8. Since then, his wife has returned to England.

Gunmen Get \$1.1 Million In London

Armored Car Stopped for Toilet

LONDON, March 26 (AP).

Masked raiders with shotguns relieved an armored money truck of \$1.1 million in cash today while a security man was apparently using a public toilet.

It was the biggest cash haul in British crime since the commando-style Great Train Robbery of 1963 when thieves grabbed the equivalent of \$7 million in used notes.

The raiders pounced in the south London suburb of Croydon while a yellow eight-ton truck of Security Express was parked at the roadside.

In their haste to get away, the five or six gunmen abandoned \$100,000 in unwieldy coins.

But they had their speedy red Jaguar limousine stuffed with 28 sacks of banknotes of all denominations worth \$483,340.

"It certainly looks like a case of a man spending a penny and losing a fortune," said a detective. Penny-spending is a British euphemism for using a public toilet.

The security truck, loaded with money collected from banks in Brighton on England's south coast, was on its way to the Barclays Bank bullion center in London when the gang struck, soon after midday.

The armored truck halted in a parking space. One of its four crew members got out, apparently to use a nearby toilet.

A maroon-colored truck swept up and the gangsters leaped out, shotguns at the ready.

Witnesses said they were dressed like "city geeks."

They brandished their shotguns at the outside guard and ordered him to open up the money truck. Then the raiders bundled the green sacks of notes into their getaway car and roared off, leaving the crew locked inside their vehicle.

New Ulster Prime Minister Wins Initial Party Approval

BELFAST, March 26 (Reuters).

Northern Ireland's new prime minister, Brian Faulkner, today won his first critical test—leadership of the province's ruling Unionist party.

Delegates to the party's executive committee voted 192 to 70 to give Mr. Faulkner, 50, the post held by Maj. James Chichester-Clark, who resigned as prime minister last Saturday.

But despite today's easy victory, Mr. Faulkner is far from out of the woods with the Unionist party.

On Monday, the full 900-member Unionist Council will meet to vote on a resolution calling for stiffer measures to be taken by the government against Irish Republican Army gunmen.

Further Vote Seen

The council, many of whose members are on the right wing of the party, is also expected to be asked to give a vote of confidence to Mr. Faulkner's government.

Observers here said that they are not certain of the outcome of Monday's meeting but saw today's vote as bolstering Mr. Faulkner.

They said that they doubted whether Maj. Chichester-Clark would have come out as well as Mr. Faulkner, an able politician who was the youngest man ever to be elected to the Northern Ireland Parliament.

But Mr. Faulkner is committed to the same policies as Maj. Chichester-Clark, who quit after Protestant protests increased.

In today's vote, Mr. Faulkner was not opposed for the leadership. His arch-rival in the party, William Craig, a hardline former home affairs minister, said that he thought the party was as divided as ever.

But Harry West, a rightist appointed last night by Mr. Faulkner as minister of agriculture, said that while he had been concerned about the last government's policy, he felt things would be implemented now in a different way.

At a press conference today, Mr. Faulkner defended Mr. West's appointment and also that of a moderate non-Unionist Protestant as his minister of community relations, probably one of the toughest jobs in this troubled British province.

Mr. Faulkner denied that his interests were sectarian and challenged one questioner to produce a single example.

Then he added, "What I am concerned about is that everybody in Northern Ireland gets a fair crack of the whip."

Mr. Faulkner's most pressing problem—security—was highlighted only minutes after he announced his new cabinet last night. Two bombs exploded in the headquarters of the Unionist party in central Belfast. The blast was heard all over the city.

Mr. Faulkner has made it his aim to improve security in Northern Ireland. But few observers think he will go as far in his measures as the right wing of his party demands.

Observers say that such stern measures would be opposed by the British government and further alienate the province's Roman Catholic minority.

500 Soviet Jews Said to Go To Israel, Half of 1970 Total

MOSCOW, March 26 (AP).

More than 500 Soviet Jews emigrated to Israel in the first 22 days of March, diplomatic sources reported today.

This indicated that altogether about 700 Jews have left the Soviet Union this year, only 300 less than the total of such emigrants in 1970.

Fifty Jews departed in January, diplomatic sources reported earlier this month, and about 170 left in February.

Meanwhile, other sources reported that more than 100 Latvian and Lithuanian Jews who conducted a sit-in and hunger strike in a Moscow government building on March 10 had been told that they would be permitted to leave for Israel "soon."

Jewish sources reported today that 140 Jews sent a petition yesterday to Soviet Procurator General Roman Rudenko, protesting the secrecy surrounding the imprisonment of 20 Jews from Leningrad, Riga and Kishinev. Their arrests were allegedly connected to the Leningrad hijack trial.

Turkey's Premier-Designate Names 'Brain Trust' Cabinet

ANEKARA, March 26 (AP).

Premier-designate Nihat Erim formed a "brain trust" cabinet today to draw up and apply a series of basic social and economic reforms demanded by Turkey's armed forces.

The 25-man cabinet is unusually young and top-heavy with professional experts. But it includes members of parliament to mollify the political parties, which have been pushed into the background since military intervention two weeks ago.

On March 12, the military commanders forced out Premier Suleyman Demirel and his conservative justice party government and threatened an army takeover if a strong and respected new government were not formed, "save party politics," to bring an end to disorders and make reforms.

Mr. Erim, 59, a former law professor and a politician from the conservative wing of the moderate-left Republican Peoples' party, was chosen to lead a new government by President Cevdet Sunay.

Sedi Kocas, 52, was named state minister and deputy premier for political affairs. Mr. Kocas was involved in the 1969 military coup, which was followed by junta rule in Turkey for 17 months.

Osmen Olcay, 47, now first deputy general secretary of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, was named foreign minister.

The first woman minister in Turkish history, Dr. Turkan Akyol, 43, a chest specialist, was appointed health minister.

Far-reaching economic changes were indicated by the appointment of Harvard-trained Atilla Karasmanoglu, 38, as state minister in charge of planning and coordination. He is also a deputy premier.

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He will be given the task of fulfilling Mr. Erim's promise of stopping the extremist violence which has unsettled Turkey's large cities and paralyzed higher education.

Suicide at Eiffel Tower

PARIS, March 26 (AP).

A 29-year-old Frenchman climbed over the ten-foot wire barricade around the third-floor landing of the Eiffel Tower today and plunged to his death. Since the tower was finished in 1889, 533 persons have leaped to their death from it. But this was the first since June, 1968, when a protective grille was installed.

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University Closed

ISTANBUL, March 26 (Reuters).—Authorities have closed Istanbul University until further notice following an armed clash between students and police yesterday in which a bystander was killed.

Metalworkers End Walkout in Finland

HELSINKI, March 26 (UPI).—Metalworkers ended a seven-week strike today after Finland's gross national product had suffered an estimated \$240-million loss.

Seventy thousand metalworkers struck on Feb. 8 when employers rejected their wage demands. Subsequent negotiations ended Wednesday when the workers voted to accept a mediation board's proposal guaranteeing a 14-cent hourly increase by Sept. 1.

Angered by Display of Nudes, Man Kidnaps Memphis Boy

MEMPHIS, March 26 (AP).

The 13-year-old son of an art academy director was kidnapped and threatened last night by a person who demanded that pictures of nude women be removed from an academy show.

The youth was later released after his father appeared on a local television news program to say that he had complied with the kidnapper's demands.

Police identified the youth as Richard Edward Batey, son of Richard Batey, an official of the Memphis Academy of the Arts.

Mr. Batey appeared on a 10 p.m. news program to say that all conditions set forth by a man who visited his home earlier in the evening had been met.

The kidnapper was believed to be removed of four pictures of nude women, which had caused a controversy since last week when a local resident objected to them. The controversy had led Mayor Henry Loeb to name a four-member commission to investigate the show. The commission recommended that the pictures be allowed to remain. Later, the city council declined to take action on the matter.

No arrest has been made, police said.

The display was provided by the Arkansas Fine Arts Commission, which said that the photographs taken by A. Buffalo, N.Y., photographer, on display in Little Rock for a month without causing controversy.

The kidnapper entered the Batey home and took the youth at gunpoint about 8:30 p.m. yesterday, police said.

phone wires and drove off with the boy in Mr. Batey's car, police said.

Police Inspector G. H. Parker said that the youth was released from the man's car in the mid-town area of Memphis and later flagged down a police car.

When Mr. Batey appeared on the television show, he did not use the word kidnap. He merely addressed himself to the man who came to my house today," and went on to say that his conditions had been met.

Victim Gulls Kidnappers

MACON, Ga., March 26 (AP).—An 11-year-old boy, held in handcuffs for 20 hours by kidnapers while his parents borrowed \$5,000 for ransom, was released unharmed yesterday and promptly led police to the hide-out, authorities said.

Detective Chief W. H. Bargeron said that the youth, Michael J. Register, managed to "appropriate" an identification card—complete with name and photograph—from one of his abductors before he was released. And he led police to the vacant house where he had been held.

Chief Bargeron said that the police arrested a man who lived near the house where Michael was held. The man, John Thomas Flummer, 20, was charged with kidnapping. Other arrests were expected.

British Physician Asks Baby Ban for Genetic Cripples

LONDON, March 26 (AP).—A prominent physician said today that genetic cripples should be banned from having babies so they cannot spread their abnormalities.

Dr. George Discombe, a former pathologist at a leading London teaching hospital and now director of medical laboratories in Trenton, wrote in the authoritative British Medical Journal: "We have always been prepared to provide care for cripples, but I do not think we should encourage, or enable, genetic cripples to multiply their kind and spread their genetic abnormality through the population."

He said that the money spent on treating such sufferers would steadily reduce the proportion of national income available for the care of other forms of illness.

Pan Am Route To Warsaw Starts April 29

WARSAW, March 26 (NYT).

A five-year effort by Pan American World Airways to open service to Poland has ended successfully with agreement on a New York-Warsaw route.

The U.S. carrier will fly once a week between New York and the Polish capital beginning April 29 and twice weekly after May 23. The flights will stop in Glasgow and Hamburg. The route is actually an extension of its service that now ends in Hamburg.

LOT, the Polish state airline, will not be flying the route until it receives delivery of long-range equipment, probably the Ilyushin-62, which Aeroflot uses on the Moscow-New York run that it shares with Pan American. The first Polish Ilyushin-62 is expected to be put into service toward the end of this year and to be used initially for charter flights.

Pan American officials were reported to have told their counterparts at LOT that LOT would benefit from the increased number of Americans who could be expected to visit Poland in the next few years.

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LONDON THEATER

Jean-Louis Barrault's 'Rabelais' Loses, Gains in Translation

By John Walker

LONDON, March 26—Jean-Louis Barrault's "Rabelais" has lost a little of its elegance in his English-language production that is now playing at the Roundhouse. Coarser it may be, but it is still full of the joys of living, a riotous, rump-tossing celebration that blasts all nay-saying prudish and prigs.

In the center, Barrault has made a virtue of the necessity forced upon him when he first presented "Rabelais" in the wrestling ring of the Elysée-Montmartre. The difference is that here he directs British actors in a translation by Robert Baldick. Mr. Baldick's version is somewhat dry, only occasionally revealing as Rabelais did in fantastical word-play. The actors tend to move stiffly, with inhibition. It is, I suppose, a national characteristic. Certainly some of the set-pieces, notably a storm at sea, lack fluidity and grace. The mime seems secondhand, a corrupted version of the original. Barrault himself is much missed—Gerald Harper is but a pale reflection in the role of the orator.

Gains

What "Rabelais" has gained is the sort of spontaneous and rumbustious gusto, near to the English music-hall tradition, that marked Joan Littlewood's productions. Indeed, the cast contains several familiar actors from her Theatre Workshop, including Bill Wallis as a splendidly

chubby baby Gargantua, delighting in an anal-fixation. There are several good comic performances in this broad manner: Bernard Bresslaw, excels as Friar John, roaring, stomping, and raving down the narrow arms of the stage. Panurge is played with great panache, as a Jewish confidence trickster, by Joe Meala. Ian Trigger is hilarious as the conquering King Pi-crocholle, who is Hitler reduced to a tiny, strutting absurdity.

Barrault succeeds admirably in a difficult task. He uses modern theatrical methods—strobe lighting, rock music, galactic dancing—and yet manages to convey not only Rabelais's timeless qualities but also a feeling for the 16th century. The structure is strong enough to contain parodies of Robert Newton's Long John Silver, James Cagney, and Crooché Marx, as well as ed-lites by the cast. Bill Wallis even managed to include, without damaging the play, the current protest slogan "kill the bill" (aimed at the government's current legislation to curb the trade unions). The play combines with great

cleverness a commentary on Rabelais's own adventures and battles together with those of his great creations, Gargantua and Panurge. The two themes comes together most movingly at the end when Panurge—having received the oracle's message to drink deeply of life—is transformed into the dying Rabelais.

Someone sitting next to me complained that the play lacked intellectual content. Barrault describes it as "a dramatic game" and he says more than enough by the use of dance and gesture and by his sense of festival. Some lines from a poem by E. E. Cummings, which begins "Since feeling is first," kept running through my mind: "Wholly to be a fool while spring is in the world, My blood approves."

London Living Theatre stripped in protest. Since then, they have petitioned the audience, claiming that "Rabelais" is the latest example of "the theater of the bourgeoisie" and declaring "legitimate" all acts of cultural and pacifist guerrilla against the Roundhouse.

Their reason is that the Roundhouse was originally the home of Arnold Wesker's now-abandoned Centre 42, a theater for the people. The London Living Theatre, also "challenges" journalists to tell the truth. The truth is that they, so far, have been a totally self-regarding group and, under Centre 42, the Roundhouse was nearly always in darkness. From its beginning, in 1961, until 1968 there were two entertainments there, a Pete Seeger concert and an Allen Ginsberg poetry reading. At least now, the theater is full each evening of people participating in enjoyment and, during the day, eating and drinking in the snack bar. That may not be perfection, but it is progress.

Jean-Louis Barrault who is directing English actors in English version of his "Rabelais."



man, at the Vaudeville. A farce, fast and furious even when not funny. A plot of dazzling complexity, brilliantly constructed, that has a succession of husbands, wives, and lovers leaping in and out of bed. Unfortunately, the characters are cut from inferior cardboard.

"Child's Play," by Robert Marasco, at the Queen's Theatre. This Broadway success, a melodrama about evil-corporate Catholic boy's school, seems to have lost its chilling qualities in the transatlantic transfer. Laurence Harvey stars as a misunderstood pedant.

22 Words by JFK—\$11,000

NEW YORK, March 26 (NYT).—A 22-word extract from John F. Kennedy's inaugural address, hand-written on White House stationery and signed by the President, was sold for \$11,000 at an auction of Americana last night.

One expert said this was the highest price paid for a letter written by any President since Abraham Lincoln.

The extract, described by auctioneer Charles Hamilton as the best-remembered excerpt from any public address in living memory, stated: "And so, my fellow Americans, ask not what your country can do for you—ask what you can do for your country."

It was written in longhand and signed by President Kennedy at the request of a personal friend. It is not known whether there are any other copies of this excerpt in existence. It was purchased by Maury Bromsen, a rare book and manuscript dealer from Boston.

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At the Paris Galleries

Henri Michaux Exhibition—Will and the Death of Art

By Michael Gibson

PARIS, March 26.—Is Henri Michaux a great painter? In the presence of his work the question appears irrelevant—what is important is that he exists and that his painting reveals the wholly human miracle of art in a manner that is essentially his own.

Much of our art tries to charm or persuade. It has prettiness, or force, or rhetorical craft and seeks to vary some form of assent from the viewer. Michaux has another way. His works are simply there, like a face with open eyes, wordlessly communicating something that is between them and us.

Michaux has said that will is the death of art, by which I take it that he means the will, the decision to express this or that—the will that binds water-locks between the visceral and the intellectual, the eye and the hand, the self and the world, the act of decision (I will do this to achieve that)—sets the artist where he may not belong and where whatever he says runs the risk of being a reconstruction, a hypothetical fiction.

Certainly Michaux's paintings are not the result of any such decision. The tidal currents of existence seem to flow in and out of him, bearing with them the meaningful and the absurd, almost one into the other, and he sums up these encounters with all the breadth of what he knows and feels in the essential, unselective act of painting.

Silent Places In doing so he reminds us that the point of encounter between art and life is in the silent places of the soul, that any true art involves the artist totally, not because it is self-exhibition, but because it springs from a vital necessity.

The will does of course intervene in art—and fortunately so—but indirectly. It is turned toward life, determining the artist's ethical position which is the ground from which his work may grow. And this growth, in a truly creative artist, is a matter of inner necessity so that the intervention of will at this stage may only serve to disguise the true nature of his decisions—or indeed his indecision—in regard to life.

Michaux consequently expresses no doctrine but an existence—his own, ours, the circumstances of life and what they mean to him and to us. His view is turned very much to an inner world that is familiar to all of us—the proof of it is that these indefinite forms, these flights and falls, pilgrimages, migrations and dissolutions are immediately intelligible without commentary—beyond commentary.

What is vulnerable, fearful, quelled and denied, those aspects of humanity that have no more defense than the mute awareness of their open eyes—not supplicant but objective—all this stands revealed in Michaux's art without rhetoric or emphasis—quite to the contrary—but simply as a statement of what is. And if it cannot be understood in its pure dignity, then it must consent to disappear.

That is Michaux's importance today and for the future. (Le Point Cardinal, 3 Rue Jacob, Paris, to April 30).



India ink and acrylic painting by Henri Michaux at Le Print Cardinal.

The exhibition, in the basement of the gallery shows other aspects of his work, including some excellent architectural pictures and fleeting images of daily life.

Magnelli, Galerie du XXe Siècle, 14 Rue des Canettes, to April 30.

Magnelli's typical style of geometric combinations is illustrated here with two sequences of recent lithographs and a series of paintings done in 1914. The lithographs have some interesting technical features, including sandy and corrugated surfaces. The mathematical preoccupations that inspire them seem to be founded on a belief in some aesthetic canon of perfection and this belief has led Magnelli, very early in his career, to a form of artistic abnegation and self-denial which finally produces a form of art that is surgically sterile and "pure."

Colette Brunschwig, Galerie La Roue, 16 Rue, Grégoire-de-Tours, to April 3.

Colette Brunschwig's washes use the subtleties of black and white to express a vision of abstract sensitivity. There is a feminine delicacy in her work that is without preciosity or mannerism, a wispy imaginative life. Some oil paintings are also on view that give another facet of her style.

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ords - \$11... The Art Market By Susan Malina... The Success Of Surrealism



"Deux Personnages et un Oiseau," 1926 Max Ernst painting sold for 394,000 francs.

PARIS, March 26.—The first large auction of surrealist painting, undoubtedly a salesroom landmark, was held last week by Maurice Rheims at Galliera.

The sale was made up of two groups. The first, the catalogue informed the would-be buyer, was owned by Sophie Babet, an actress who, with the art critic and poet Charles Estienne, ran an art gallery called L'Éclat Scellée in the mid-50s. The second was a clever mixture described as "collection of Mr. S." and various properties with a small number belonging to Mr. S. The phrase "various properties" usually refers to pieces owned by dealers who do not want it known that they are sending items to the salesroom.

Miss Babet was close to André Breton and through him came to know the first painter she exhibited, Simon Hantai, then an obscure Hungarian who was literally down and out in Paris.

Hantai set the pattern for Miss Babet. Her range of interests, in alphabetical order, included Hans Bellmer, Oscar Dominguez, Aline Gagnaire, Hantai, Felix Labisse, Wilfredo Lam, René Magritte, Toyen (a pseudonym used by the painter Marie Gernoul), Lesser known artists included Rachel Baes and Degotex, an artist who goes without a first name.

Selling surrealists in Paris must have been either a financial headache or a bore because shortly after 1964 Miss Babet closed her gallery and left for South America where she continued to promote surrealists. In short, it was the collection of a dealer, daring and unconventional, which made up the first part of the sale.

Mr. S et al. In the second part, I counted 31 lots which belonged to Mr. S and 49 which were "various properties."

Mr. S (Emile Synak), a Czech by birth, seems to have had a very more unusual career than Sophie Babet. He was first a journalist, then a playwright, film script writer and essayist. He became a major figure in the Czech government-nucleus in London during World War II. After the war, he came to Paris and, with modest means, started collecting paintings. He favored Arp and large Charchoune and Ismael de la Serna. In his choice of surrealist—or simply modern—artists he seems to have been guided by a taste for hair-raising expressionism.

The Galliera sale included 157 lots, few of which were of the kind that make best sellers in art galleries. At Galliera they were: Maurice Rheims did that only 12 percent of the items—19 figures failed to meet reserve prices, a remarkably low record. The highest price was 397,000 francs for "Deux Personnages et un Oiseau" by Max Ernst, dated 1926. It was a record price in France for an Ernst. A more recent record, dated 1957 and titled "Blanche d'Espagne," which looked more

Around the Galleries in Rome

nightmarish fantasies, which can be read over and over again.

The Calligraphic Language, Caesar Augustus, 200 Corso Francia, Rome, through March. A set of Turcato aquatints done in 1965, when this modern master was still exacting and more self-critical, are splendid in color and calligraphy. Chiba makes clear and calm signs on canvas; Benoit's etchings are both balanced and mysterious. Nardo's energetic flourishes are still too dependent on Matthew. Some small pastels by Iris Hala, quick and pleasing, are also on view.

Alberto Ziveri, Work from 1955-1970. Faute Di Spade, 264 Via Ripetta, March through April. At last a figurative academic painter par excellence has weathered the storm of all forms of avant-garde and fits in neatly with the newest unofficial trends in America. At first one mistakes Ziveri for a young man who has

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Art in Spain Zobel, Galeria Juana Mordo, 7 Villanueva, Madrid, to April 7. Zobel's paintings suggest the elements—swift movement, a flash of light. Color is kept to a severe minimum: browns, grays, pale green and apricot, with a glimpse of red. His delicacy of treatment in no way reduces the feeling of tremendous strength. Arcadio Blasco, Galeria Iolas-Velasco, 88 Zurbarano, Madrid, through March. Arcadio Blasco's yellow, brown or black ceramic canons, cells, sentry boxes open to reveal seaward sand patterns on the natural clay surface inside. The rhythm of the designs accentuates the possible horror of the object—you can walk into the cell. The most exciting use of clay I have ever seen. Adolfo Estrada, Galeria Vandrés, 26 Don Ramon de la Cruz, Madrid, to April 3. This Argentinian painter uses color—pink, yellow, citron and apricot—in perfect harmony. He plays with geometric forms so that they no longer look geometric, in acrylics on wood and canvas and in a series of silk-screen prints. Vivances, Galeria Ramon Duran, 35 Serrano, Madrid, through March. Vivances's naive paintings of buildings, like children's building blocks or flowers in a vase on a table, have a spontaneous charm and gaiety. Cels Delgado, Museo de Arte Contemporáneo, 20 Calvo Sotelo, Madrid, through March. Cels's clear, bright, almost graphic canvases deal with man and fear and shadows. The shadow multiples in the center of the canvases, around it, quiet, peaceful areas of light. Excellent use of color and space. Delgado has two shows going at once—one at the Museum of Contemporary Art, the other at Galeria Kreisler (19 Serrano)—both through March. The smaller, and to my mind, more successful is at Kreisler. Delgado paints with verve, portraits (which border on caricature), landscapes, and surprisingly, fowl. Paint is thickly applied, plenty of color and movement. His scuba heads have an unnerving humanity. —SHEILA ANNE DE BARRY.

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BOAC Report LONDON, March 26.—British Overseas Airways Corp. said today that provisional figures show the company's operating profit for the year to March 31 dropping below...

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The instance is rumored to be that of Prime Minister Edward Heath, a man given to taking decisions and refusing to withdraw from them.

A decision—either to stick to its guns, or to accept something short of a U.S. guarantee—may be made at a cabinet meeting Monday.

Also cited were weakness in the U.S. and British passenger and cargo markets, stiffer competition, industrial action—actual and threatened—by BOAC's British staff and teaching troubles that dogged Heathrow's new cargo center.

The state-run airline said it is freezing staff levels to avoid layoffs and is launching "an immediate drive to boost revenue, cut costs and increase efficiency."

PARIS, March 26.—Cie. Financière de Paris et des Pays-Bas, holding company for the French bank and other Paribas interests, has reported a net 1970 profit gain of 13 percent.

Earnings totaled 78.66 million francs (\$14 million) last year, up from 69.57 million francs in 1969. The dividend remains 6.50 francs per share.

JOHANNESBURG, March 26 (Reuters).—The African mining group Anglo American Corp. earned in a 6.6 percent profit gain in 1970, earning 38.9 million rand (\$48.5 million) compared with 36.5 million rand the year before.

Cost of Living Climbs

Bonn Shows Trade Surplus

WIESBADEN, West Germany, March 26 (AP-DJ).—West Germany had a trade surplus of 942 million Deutsche marks (\$287.4 million) in February, up from 677 million DM in January, but down from 1,339 billion DM a year earlier, the Federal Statistics Office reported today.

In the first two months of 1971, the trade surplus amounted to 1,771 billion DM, up from 1,45 billion DM in the like 1970 period.

The government also announced today that the West German cost of living index was 128.1 at mid-February, up 4.3 percent from a year earlier, and up 0.8 percent from a month earlier.

February exports rose to 10.72 billion DM from 9.53 billion DM in January and 9.41 billion a year earlier. Imports also rose, to 9.78 billion DM from 8.7 billion DM and 8.1 billion DM respectively.

The trade figures, plus available returns in the transfer and services balance of the Bundesbank payment balance, show a preliminary current account deficit of 300 million DM. This compares with a 100 million DM surplus a year earlier and a surplus of about 500 million DM in January, 1971, the statistics office said.



IT'S ALL THERE, BUT—Sections of oil pipeline languish near the city of Valdez, Alaska, waiting for clearance from the environment-concerned U.S. government on plans to build a line from the North Slope to more southerly parts.

Start Forming Joint Ventures

Japan, U.S. Textile Firms Face Same Ills

WASHINGTON, March 26 (WP).—Japan's textile producers are experiencing the same problems that plague their American counterparts and the two industries are forming joint ventures to ease their mutual plight.

This is the picture drawn in a study by the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo. The study, obtained by The Washington Post, reports that the Japanese textile manufacturers have become the victims of soaring imports from Southeast Asia, falling profit margins, slow export sales and production cutbacks.

As a result, the Japanese industry is cutting back on domestic investment, increasing its investment for foreign plants in low-wage countries to the south, diversifying into other fields, and actually going into limited partnerships with U.S. companies, including the four largest in the field.

Two months ago, the Japanese Ministry of International Trade and Industry "quite suddenly" approved three such joint ventures—Burlington Industries and Mitsubishi Rayon for producing tufted carpet, J.P. Stevens and Kanebo for glass fiber, and a subsidiary of M. Lowenstein & Sons and Asahi Chemical also for glass fiber.

By means of joint business ventures, the U.S. and Japanese industry leaders may find themselves increasingly cooperating... to fend off challenges to the developing countries. Should these initial joint ventures prove successful, joint operations in third countries would be likely to follow.

Japanese textile imports have increased fivefold in just the last five years, to an estimated \$300 million in 1970. (U.S. imports exceed \$2 billion but are still less than 10 percent of consumption.)

Japan's Growth Rate Slips; Markets Attract Foreigners

TOKYO, March 26 (AP-DJ).—Economic Planning Agency director-general Tetsuo Sato said today he believes Japan's economic growth rate dropped to a 7 percent annual rate at one point in the 1971 first quarter.

But Mr. Sato added that business is not likely to slow further. Speaking to newsmen after a cabinet meeting, he said business has yet to recover because inventory adjustments are taking longer than expected.

Japan's annual economic growth rate in the last four years has averaged 13 percent. Mr. Sato said he reported to the cabinet that consumer spending has begun to slow.

Speed Public Spending In a bid to help business recover from the current slowdown, the government decided today to advance its public works spending for the year beginning April 1.

Officials said the cabinet approved a plan to award contracts valued at 3,000 billion yen (\$8.3 billion) in the first half of the fiscal year—73 percent of the public works budget for the year, officials said.

Non-Residents Buy Bonds TOKYO, March 26 (Reuters).—Securities industry sources report that Japanese bonds and debentures are attracting an increasing number of foreign buyers because of their relatively high interest rates and as a hedge against possible revaluation of the yen.

This trend has not been curbed by the ban announced last week on purchases of short-term government bonds by non-residents, the sources said.

One Eye on Interest Rates

Steady U.S. Credit Growth Continuing, Figures Indicate

NEW YORK, March 26 (NYT).—The Federal Reserve appeared to have pursued its steady course of moderate credit expansion during the latest two-week period, according to central bank data published yesterday.

The monetary aggregate, which measures the general availability of funds in the economy, showed little evidence of accelerated expansion, however—a policy some analysts assert is necessary to spur the economic recovery.

In its open-market operations—one of the principal tools the Fed has of controlling credit—the Fed in the week ended Wednesday purchased \$47.7 million of government notes and \$14.5 million of bonds.

Operation 'Twist' These amounts, while not huge, seemed to lend some support to the view that policy is directed toward bringing long-term interest rates down while propping up short-term rates.

Reserves are frequently injected into the banking system by the purchase of Treasury bills, but such purchases amounted to only \$41.8 million in the latest period.

An official familiar with Fed thinking disputed contentions that a full-scale "twist" operation was under way in order to narrow the historically wide spread between long and short rates and to stem the outflow of investment funds from the United States.

Payments Problems Although the Fed official indicated that the balance-of-payments deterioration as a result of low short-term rates was only a secondary consideration, this situation worsened again in the latest week.

Fed holdings of government securities on behalf of foreign central banks climbed \$214 million to \$14.82 billion.

This was much less, however, than advances of \$564 million and \$880 million in the two preceding weeks. The total increase so far in 1971 is now more than \$3.5 billion.

These security holdings are a direct reflection of the payments deficit as measured on an official settlements basis.

Small Gains Held in Active N.Y. Trading

Dow Index Is Up 2.67; Amex Prices Increase

NEW YORK, March 26 (Reuters).—Prices on the New York Stock Exchange finished higher today, though profit-taking bit into early gains. For the week, the list eased somewhat.

Advances led declines by about 8-50, but had led a better than 2-60-1 lead earlier. The Dow Jones industrial average closed at 903.36, up 2.67.

Volume, a moderately active 15.87 million shares, brought the week's turnover to some 78 million, down sharply from last week's 91.3 million. However, today's total was ahead of yesterday's 15.86 million shares.

Lenz Developments Union Corp. was among the most actively traded. It went as high as 13 1/8, but finished up only 3/4 at 12 1/8. The company said its soft lens development is progressing well and it is negotiating the acquisition of two additional contact lens facilities.

Bausch & Lomb, which is the only company so far with government approval for manufacture of a soft contact lens, spurred 4 1/2 to 85. Ameron, which traded off as much as 1 3/8, finished down 1/4 at 19 3/4. Yesterday, the company reported lower profits but said the results were not indicative of a trend for the year.

American Cyanamid said today it would report a 10 to 15 percent decline in first-quarter results and eased 1 1/2 to 34 1/2. Steels Mixed Industry sources indicated the recent steel buying boom might be nearing an end. U.S. Steel lost 1/2 to 32 7/8. Bethlehem was up 1/8 at 22 1/8 and National was down 1/4 at 15 3/8.

Bargain hunters apparently went after Abbott Laboratories, which added 2 at 72 3/4. Last week the stock lost more than seven points on news the government was suspending shipments of Abbott's intravenous products. Elsewhere in the drug group, Upjohn eased 1/4 to 52 in active trade. Merck was off 7/8 at 96, and Eli Lilly gained 1/4 to 118.

Honeywell edged ahead 1/8 to 102 3/4, but was down about ten points on the week. Earlier this week the company forecast lower earnings. Prices moved ahead on the American Stock Exchange, where the index, up 0.11 earlier in the session, closed up 0.09 at 26.04.

Yates Industries was the most active and gained 5/8 to 14 3/8. Pioneer Systems dropped 1 to 10 3/8 on a report of lower profits.

Company Reports

Table with columns for Company Name, Year, Revenue (millions), Profits (millions), and Per Share. Includes Borman's Inc., Oliv Corp., and Rapid American Corp.

Budget Deficit Growing in U.S.

President Nixon's budget for the fiscal year ending June 30 has thus far run up a deficit of \$19.38 billion, according to Treasury Department figures. The present deficit, through the first eight months of the year, is more than double the \$8.15 billion of red ink seen in the corresponding period last year.

A third of the 150 major U.S. labor areas are now suffering "substantial" unemployment—6 percent or more—with the addition of five new cities in March, the Labor Department reports. And Seattle, home of Boeing Co. joined the classification of 12 percent or more joblessness, the first mainland city to do so in at least nine years.

Washington Post to Offer Stock Washington Post Co., publisher of The Washington Post and Newsweek magazine, said it intends to make its first public stock offering later this year. Directors have authorized preparation of a registration statement to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in May.

American Smelting and Refining Co. says it has agreed in principle to purchase for \$27 million certain units of American Zinc Co. They include mines, plants, mineral properties and other real estate interests in the South and Midwest.

Japan Clears Rothschild Unit Tie The Industrial Bank of Japan has obtained government approval for its previously announced plan to acquire an interest in Rothschild International Bank Ltd. of London. The Japanese bank plans to take a 12.5 percent share of the joint venture when Inter-Continental increases its capital following signing of a formal contract.

ASarco to Buy Zinc Firm Units American Smelting and Refining Co. says it has agreed in principle to purchase for \$27 million certain units of American Zinc Co. They include mines, plants, mineral properties and other real estate interests in the South and Midwest.

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